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## **NOTURF: National Organization of Tobacco Use Research Funders Guide to Funding Available for Tobacco-Related Research**

This guide has been compiled by the National Organization of Tobacco Use Research Funders (NOTURF) as a tool to help investigators locate sources of support for tobacco-related research. NOTURF is a consortium of research funding organizations in the United States and Canada that fosters communication and action around issues pertaining to tobacco research. NOTURF believes that through collaboration among research funders and investigators the relevance and impact of tobacco use and related disease research will be increased.

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality  
American Cancer Society  
American Legacy Foundation  
Arizona Tobacco Education and Prevention Program  
California Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program  
Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office on Smoking and Health  
Colorado Tobacco Research Program  
Flight Attendant Medical Research Institute  
Florida Biomedical Research Program  
Fogarty International Center  
Louisiana Health Excellence Fund  
Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute (New Mexico)  
Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco  
National Cancer Institute  
National Cancer Institute of Canada  
National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute  
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research  
National Institute on Drug Abuse  
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation  
Other Sources of Funding

### Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), is a Public Health Service agency in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. AHRQ supports research designed to improve the outcomes and quality of health care, reduce its costs, address patient safety and medical errors, and broaden access to effective services. The research sponsored, conducted, and disseminated by the AHRQ helps to inform decision-making and improve the quality of health care services. Eligible tobacco research includes a variety of topics related to this mission. A number of funding mechanisms exist to support investigator-initiated and contract research. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis; deadlines apply to program announcements and requests for proposals. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.ahrq.gov/fund/funding.htm>. Contact: Capt. Ernestine Murray, 301-594-4031.

## American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society is a nationwide community-based voluntary health organization and the largest non-profit supporter of cancer research. The ACS is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. Eligible tobacco research includes proposals focused on tobacco use cessation, prevention, etiology, and epidemiology. The ACS encourages investigator-initiated, peer-reviewed research, and a number of funding mechanisms exist to support investigators at various stages of their careers. Application deadlines are rolling. Additional information and application procedures can be found at [www.cancer.org/research](http://www.cancer.org/research).

Contact: Dr. John Stevens, 404-329-7550.

## American Legacy Foundation

The American Legacy Foundation is a national, independent, public health foundation formed through the Master Settlement Agreement with the tobacco industry. Legacy is committed to working with other organizations to decrease the use of tobacco by Americans. The foundation has a national grants program which supports tobacco prevention, education, and cessation, as well as innovative ideas that might foster future programs to reduce tobacco use. Of particular interest are six priority populations (African Americans, Asian Pacific Islanders, Latinos, Native Americans/Alaska Natives, Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender, and the Very Poor) and youth. State and local agencies and community-based organizations are eligible to apply for funding. Applications for small grants are accepted on an ongoing basis; applications for national programs are announced annually. Additional information can be found at <http://www.americanlegacy.org/grants/index.html>. Contact: Dr. Lyndon Haviland, 202-454-5555.

## Arizona Tobacco Education and Prevention Program

The Arizona Tobacco Education and Prevention Program (AzTEPP), a Bureau within the Arizona Department of Health Services, is funded by state tobacco tax revenues. The AzTEPP works to reduce tobacco use through prevention, treatment and denormalization, and to reduce exposure to environmental tobacco smoke. The AzTEPP supports a statewide media campaign, community-based local projects, an information network, a telephone-based helpline, cessation training and evaluation, and pilot projects. Contracts are coordinated through school districts, universities, community groups, and other organizations within the State of Arizona. Additional information can be found at <http://www.tepp.org/>. Contact: Mr. Robert Leischow, 602-870-3145.

Note: Arizona also supports investigators within the state to conduct tobacco-related disease and dependence research. Grants are awarded annually through the Arizona Disease Control Research Commission, which is funded by state tobacco tax revenues. Information can be obtained from the Commission at 602-542-1028.

## California Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program

The California Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program is housed within the University of California and funded by state tobacco tax revenues. The TRDRP focuses on a range of tobacco research, from molecular biology to policy. Investigators, schools, and communities within the state of California are eligible to apply for funding through a variety of mechanisms. Applications are accepted annually, and the deadline for submission is in January. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.ucop.edu/srphome/trdrp/>. Contact: Dr. Susanne Hildebrand-Zanki, 510-987-9875.

## Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative

The Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative is a collaboration among national agencies and organizations in Canada. The CTCRI aims to stimulate a sustained and co-ordinated tobacco control research agenda that has a direct impact on tobacco control programs and policies across Canada. Investigators within Canada are eligible to apply for funding through a variety of mechanisms, currently including policy research, planning grants, and fellowships. Application deadlines vary. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.ncic.cancer.ca/ctri/>. Contact: Ms. Agnes O'Donohue, 416-961-4129.

## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office on Smoking and Health

The Office on Smoking and Health, a division of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, provides national leadership for a comprehensive, broad-based approach to prevention and control of tobacco use and associated chronic illnesses. Research supported by OSH focuses on state and community interventions, counter-marketing, policy and regulation, and surveillance and evaluation. A range of funding mechanisms and opportunities exist within the CDC, and are subject to U.S. government restrictions. Additional information can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/funding.htm> or <http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/>. Contact: Alison Kelly, 770-488-5701.

## Colorado Tobacco Research Program

The Colorado Tobacco Research Program was established in 2000 by the Colorado Legislature through the creation and adoption of Senate Bill 00-071. The Program is administered by the University of Colorado and is funded by Colorado's share of the Master Settlement Agreement with the tobacco industry. The research priorities of the program include biobehavioral and nicotine addiction treatment research, biological research, and effects of exposure to secondhand smoke, epidemiological and surveillance research, prevention of tobacco use and policy research. The program awards funds to Colorado-based public, private or nonprofit organizations, colleges or universities, hospitals, laboratories, local health departments or voluntary health organizations based upon the scientific merit of submitted proposals. Applications are accepted annually and are due in January. Additional information and application procedures can be found at [www.cusys.edu/VPAAR/2.award.grant/2\\_11CTRP.htm](http://www.cusys.edu/VPAAR/2.award.grant/2_11CTRP.htm). Contact: Dr. Jeffrey Cheek, 303-492-5955.

## Flight Attendant Medical Research Institute

The Flight Attendant Medical Research Institute was formed through the Flight Attendant Settlement with the tobacco industry. The institute funds three programs: Young Clinical Scientist Award, the Clinical Innovator Award and the Centers of Excellence Award. The Young Clinical Scientist Award is limited to the development of young researchers in smoking-related disorders. The Clinical Innovator Award is to foster novel medical and clinical studies on the topic of second hand smoke. The Centers of Excellence award is the Institute's centerpiece linking physicians and scientists from various disciplines into multidisciplinary programs in patient care. The primary aims are to: enhance the base of knowledge relating to exposure to second hand smoke; serve as a source for more effective approaches to detection, diagnosis, therapy, and cures for diseases associated with exposure to second hand smoke; and serve as principal deliverers of medical advances to those suffering from exposure to second hand smoke. Applications are due in September. Additional information and application procedures can be found at [www.famri.org](http://www.famri.org). Contact: Eric Solberg, 305-975-0768.

## Florida Biomedical Research Program

The Florida Biomedical Research Program supports research relating to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of tobacco-related disease. This program is sponsored by the Florida Department of Health and funded with a portion of the interest income from tobacco settlement monies. Currently, the program is funding projects for established investigators as well as new investigator projects to encourage and support new faculty. Additional information and application procedures can be found at [www.doh.state.fl.us](http://www.doh.state.fl.us). Contact: Catherine Hughes, Program Administrator, (850) 245-4444.

## Fogarty International Center

The Fogarty International Center (FIC), an agency within the U.S. National Institutes of Health, promotes and supports international scientific research, capacity strengthening, and training to reduce global health disparities, particularly in low- and middle-income nations. A priority for the FIC is to address tobacco related illnesses and their contribution to the global burden of disease. FIC plans to launch an initiative in 2002 in partnership with other divisions of the NIH to address research and training needs in this area. A description of all FIC research and research capacity building programs can be found at <http://www.nih.gov/fic/programs.html>.

## Louisiana Health Excellence Fund

The Louisiana Health Excellence Fund is administered by the Louisiana Board of Regents and funded through the state's settlement with the tobacco industry. The Fund supports a range of research related to tobacco use and its effects. Investigators within educational or medical institutions, other non-profit organizations, and state or local agencies in Louisiana are eligible to apply for funding. Grant competitions are currently every two years. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://epscor.phys.lsu.edu/sphome/>. Contact: Dr. Kerry Davidson, 225-342-4253. Contact: Aron Primack, MD, MA, tel. (301) 496-4596, fax (301) 402-0779, [aron\\_primack@nih.gov](mailto:aron_primack@nih.gov)

## Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute (New Mexico)

The Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute is a private, non-profit biomedical research institute funded by private endowment. The research focus of the LRRRI is on preventing and treating respiratory health conditions (cancer, asthma, emphysema, and COPD), as well as improving environmental air quality. LRRRI has recently been charged with administering tobacco-related research on behalf of the state of New Mexico using a portion of the state's settlement with the tobacco industry. Areas of interest include basic research in genetics, biomarkers, immunology and vaccine, and biobehavior. Only investigators within New Mexico are eligible to apply. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Additional information can be found at <http://www.lrrri.org/>. Contact: Edmundo Gonzales, 505-262-3080.

## Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco

The Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco is an independent, non-profit foundation established through the state's settlement with the tobacco industry. MPAAT aims to facilitate research and interventions that will have an impact on reducing tobacco use and exposure to second-hand smoke. Research focuses on youth, policies, treatments for nicotine addiction, environmental tobacco smoke, and epidemiology. Investigators within Minnesota are eligible to apply for funding. Requests for applications are currently issued annually, and deadlines correspond with the announcements. Additional information can be found at <http://www.mpaat.org/Research.asp>. Contact: Dr. Barbara Schillo, 651-312-3911.

### National Cancer Institute: Tobacco Control Research Branch

The National Cancer Institute's research on smoking and tobacco spans a broad spectrum, from basic biology to epidemiology to prevention and treatment. Research categories include: 1) basic biobehavioral research, 2) prevention, 3) treatment of nicotine dependence, 4) community and state interventions, 5) policy research, 6) basic biological research, 7) epidemiology, 8) surveillance, and 9) chemoprevention. Over 15 different types of funding mechanisms are used to support tobacco research. The Tobacco Control Research Branch is the arm of the National Cancer Institute that is responsible for supporting a broad spectrum of basic and applied research in the behavioral, social, and population sciences on the prevention and cessation of tobacco use among both youth and adults. Application deadlines vary according to competitions and mechanisms. NIH policies on eligibility and requirements apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://dccps.nci.nih.gov/TCRB/default.html>. Contact: Dr. Cathy Backinger, 301-496-8584.

### National Cancer Institute of Canada

The National Cancer Institute of Canada distributes research funds raised by the Canadian Cancer Society and the Terry Fox Foundation, both national, non-governmental, voluntary health organizations. The NCIC aims to support cancer research and related programs in Canada that will lead to reduction of the incidence, morbidity, and mortality from cancer. Research foci include biological, chemical, physical, clinical, and population health sciences. Investigators within Canada are eligible to apply for funding. October 15th is the deadline for operating grants, and other programs are offered which have varying deadlines. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.ncic.cancer.ca/progse.htm>. Contact: Dr. Michael Wosnick, 416-934-5672.

### National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute

The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, one of the National Institutes of Health, supports an integrated and coordinated program of basic research, clinical investigations and trials, observational studies, and demonstration and education projects. Research primarily addresses populations with heart, blood, and lung disease, such as persons with or at risk for cardiovascular disease, asthma, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The focus of tobacco research projects may be in any of these areas. A variety of grant competitions and mechanisms are offered, and application deadlines are specific to each. NIH policies on eligibility and requirements apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/funding/index.htm>. Contact: Dr. Jared B. Jobe, 301-435-0407.

### National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, one of the National Institutes of Health, supports laboratory, clinical, and epidemiological research on the reproductive, neurobiologic, developmental, and behavioral processes that determine and maintain the health of children, adults, families, and populations. Research and research training proposals involving tobacco use are invited in these areas. A variety of programs and mechanisms are offered to support research, and application deadlines are specific to these. NIH policies and requirements apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.nichd.nih.gov/funding/funding.htm>. Contact: Dr. Lynne Haverkos, 301-435-6881.

### National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research

The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, one of the National Institutes of Health, sponsors biomedical and behavioral research on craniofacial anomalies and injuries,

infectious diseases or neoplasms affecting oral tissues, tissue engineering and restorative materials, and linkages between oral and systemic diseases. For tobacco research, focus is on mechanisms underlying damage to oral tissues caused by tobacco use, oral biomarkers for tobacco use, and interventions utilizing dental settings to help prevent or reduce tobacco use. A variety of mechanisms are available to support research. NIH policies and requirements apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/research/index.htm>. Contact: Dr. Patricia Bryant, 301-594-2095.

#### National Institute on Drug Abuse

The National Institute on Drug Abuse, one of the National Institutes of Health, supports a range of research exploring the biomedical and behavioral foundations of drug abuse and addiction. NIDA's scientific research program addresses the most fundamental and essential questions about drug abuse, ranging from its causes and consequences to its prevention and treatment. Funding is available to support research aimed at understanding the cellular, neural, and behavioral processes associated with tobacco and nicotine addiction, as well as research aimed at treating and preventing tobacco use. A variety of programs and funding mechanisms are available to support research, and specific application procedures, deadlines, and NIH policies and requirements apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at <http://www.nida.nih.gov/Funding.html>. Contact: Dr. David Shurtleff, 301-443-1887.

#### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is a national philanthropy devoted to improving the health and health care of all Americans through research on improving care for those with chronic diseases, increasing access to healthcare services, and reducing the harm from substance abuse, including alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drugs. Tobacco research is a high priority for the Foundation. Funding is available through several national programs — to which deadlines apply — and also for unsolicited research proposals, which are accepted on a rolling basis. Investigators within the United States are eligible to apply. Additional information and application procedures can be found at Robert Wood Johnson Foundation web site. Contact: Dr. Karen Gerlach, 609-627-5917.

#### Other Sources of Funding Information

American Psychological Association <http://www.apa.org/science/bulletin.html>

Center for the Advancement of Health funding directory  
<http://www.cfah.org/FundingDirectory/introfundingdirectory.htm>

Community of Science Funding Opportunities <http://fundingopps.cos.com/>

FundSource (American Psychological Association and National Science Foundation)  
<http://www.decadeofbehavior.org/fundsource/index.html>

Grantsnet <http://www.grantsnet.org/>

Illinois Researcher Information Service (IRIS) <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/iris/>

McGill University (comprehensive list of Canadian funding resources)  
<http://www.health.library.mcgill.ca/resource/grants.htm#databases>

National Institutes of Health funding opportunities <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/index.cfm>

National Science Foundation <http://www.nsf.gov/home/menus/funding.htm>

Ontario Tobacco Research Unit <http://www.camh.net/otru/page4.html>

Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco <http://www.srnt.org/resources/directory.htm>

Texas Research Administrators Group <http://tram.east.asu.edu/>

### **Other Funding Organizations Not Included in NOTURF**

In addition to the 21 members of NOTURF and the Other Sources of Funding Information listed by NOTURF, the other funding organizations represented in this volume are listed below, along with their website addresses.

Association of European Cancer Leagues  
<http://ecl.uicc.org/>

Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids  
<http://www.tobaccofreekids.org/>

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment  
<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/cdphehom.asp>

International Network of Women Against Tobacco  
<http://www.inwat.org/>

National Center for Research Resources  
<http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/>

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences  
<http://www.niehs.nih.gov/>

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke  
<http://www.ninds.nih.gov/>

National Institute of Nursing Research  
<http://www.nih.gov/ninr/>

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism  
<http://www.niaaa.nih.gov/>

Smoke-Free Families  
<http://www.smokefreefamilies.org/>

South African Ministry of Health  
<http://www.doh.gov.za/ministry/index.html>

The National Coalition for Women Against Tobacco  
<http://www.womenagainst.org/>

The National Women's Health Information Center  
<http://www.4woman.gov/>